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APPLICABILITY:

This rate is applicable to the entire electrical requirements in single-family residences, residential outbuildings, farms, and individual apartments where residential uses of electricity constitute more than 50% of customers' energy use, and to common area use of condominiums except that this rate is not available to customers whose primary space heating source is electricity.

All electricity shall be measured through one meter except where the customer has been receiving service under two rate schedules requiring two meters. In such latter case the registrations of the two meters shall be added for billing under this rate. All electricity delivered hereunder shall be for the exclusive use of the customer and shall not be resold.

RATE - Per month:

CUSTOMER CHARGE: \$9.35

DISTRIBUTION/ACCESS CHARGE: 7.7236? per kWh

Transmission Charge: 0.1673? per kWh

GENERATION CHARGE: 2.8000? per kWh

ADJUSTMENT IN RATE DUE TO COST OF FUEL:

Subject to the applicable provisions of Section 94G of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, there shall be an adjustment in rate due to cost of fuel as provided in the Company's Fuel Expense Adjustment Clause in effect from time to time.

REGULAR USE MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE:

The minimum charge is the customer charge. Any customer receiving a regular zero kilowatthour bill will be assumed to be an undeclared seasonal customer and will be billed at the applicable customer charge.

SEASONAL MINIMUM CHARGE:

For declared seasonal customers, the minimum charge during their active season shall be the customer charge. For their inactive season, the minimum bill shall be the sum of the applicable customer charge for each month less \$10.00. This minimum charge shall be due and payable with the first active season monthly bill.

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The Company's seasonal service provision is available to customers who, after publication of a notice to the Company, elect either an active winter season (the billing months of November through April) or an active summer season (the billing months of May through October).

TERMS:

The Company's Terms and Conditions in effect from time to time, where not inconsistent with any specific provisions hereof, are a part of this rate schedule.

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